

NO PARTICULARS YET.

Regarding Seizure of Schs. Arcadia and Raymah.

Washington Has Received No Official Notification.

A special to the Boston Transcript yesterday from its Washington correspondent says: "No direct advices concerning the seizure of Boston and Gloucester fishing boats by Canadian authorities for alleged violation of the law prohibiting fishing within the three-mile limit have been received by any of the members of the Massachusetts delegation. Unless direct appeals are made to some of the congressmen no action will be taken by them. It is noted as something of a coincidence that the foreign affairs committee today considered and agreed to report favorably a resolution calling on the state department for information as to the seizing of fishing vessels from Galveston, Tex., by the Mexican authorities. According to present reports the two cases have many points in common."

A Washington despatch to the Boston Herald on the same subject says:

"The seizure of two Massachusetts fishing vessels by a Canadian cruiser off Cape North, C. B., has not been brought officially to the attention of the state department, and probably will not be unless it should develop that a breach of international law has been committed. This has not been established."

"The case is not regarded as serious here, and it is not believed that the pending case growing out of the arrest of American fishermen by the Newfoundland government, has been complicated. Representative Gardner of Massachusetts, in whose district Gloucester is located and who looks after the interests of fishermen, has not received any statement or protest in the case, and has learned of it only through newspaper reports."

"Apparently" said Mr. Gardner, today "this is simply a question of fact as to whether or not the Americans seized were actually fishing within the Canadian three-mile limit. It will be tried as a question of fact in the Canadian courts. I will take no action, nor carry this case to the state department, unless it shall appear that treaty rights have been violated."

MAKEREL ON GEORGES.

One Taken on Codfish Hook a Few Days Ago.

Capt. John William of sch. Norman Fisher, which arrived from a codfish handlining trip yesterday, reports that while fishing on Georges on April 23, one of the crew pulled up on his hook a fine mackerel. This is pretty early to hear of mackerel being taken on Georges, even on a hook.

Bait Scarce at Bay of Islands.

There were quite a number of fishing vessels in Lark Harbor and Middle Arm, Bay of Islands, last week in quest of herring bait. So far very few vessels have baited there this season, as herring have become scarce all over the bay; and although \$2 per barrel has been offered for fresh herring, those catching them refuse to sell at that figure, preferring to cure and ship them to market.

TO FIT FOR CAPE SHORE.

Two of Southern Fleet Arrive Home During Night.

Big Fleet Now Seeking Fish Off Block Island.

The advance guard of the homecoming southern seiners came last night, sch. Lena and Maud, Capt. Fred Carritt, arriving at 6:30 o'clock last evening with 11 barrels of salt mackerel.

This morning the new sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, arrived, having made a great run. She left 25 miles southeast of Block Island at 11 o'clock yesterday forenoon and was at Eastern Point at 3 o'clock this morning.

The captains and men report that the outlook is and has been very dull and that they have seen no mackerel for the past two weeks although the weather has been like July out there. Since sch. Nellie Dixon got her big fare, no fish have been seen or taken and the fleet have cruised over every inch of the ground from New York to Five Fathom Bank lightship, but no fish have rewarded their search.

On Wednesday a large number of the fleet put into Newport for harbor. Sch. Electric Flash, Capt. Samuel Kent, came in and reported to the fleet that the night before, 25 miles southeast of Block Island, they found a lot of fish, but it was so rough they could not get a set. The whole fleet got under way Thursday morning and ran off there, but it breezed up and nothing showed. When the Prior left there, fully 60 sail of seiners were scouring the ground in search of schools.

From this report of Capt. Kent and the fact that the fish did not come up the shore and strike it in large quantities off New York, as is usual, the skippers think that the school did not come up the shore any distance at all, but struck off and came in off Block Island.

Schs. Lena and Maud and Effie M. Prior will now fit for the Cape Shore.

NETTERS DOING WELL.

The following netters are at Fulton Market, New York, today:

Sch. Alena L. Young, 600 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Winnie Kane, 50 large fresh mackerel. Sloop Albert Brown, 300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. C. A. Smeed, 600 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Elsie, 1100 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mettacommet, 500 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Hobo, 1000 large fresh mackerel.

Steamer Dorcas, 250 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. A. P. Parkhurst, 300 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop Venus, 300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Almeida, 3000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Clara E., 1100 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Priscilla, 1600 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Actor, 800 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Olive May, 1300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Hester, 500 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop Mildred, 500 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Lillian, 2600 large fresh mackerel.

Sloop Ericson, 1300 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Georgianna, 1100 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Mayhew, 700 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, 1200 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Minerva, 150 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Little Fannie, 400 large fresh mackerel.

BABY WHALE CAUGHT.

Became Stranded on Rocks at Beachmont.

A baby whale measuring over 14 feet in length and weighing considerable over a ton, was found late yesterday afternoon off Pebble Beach, Beachmont, by Frank Sparrow, a resident of that section. The whale was lying on the rocky reef where the old pier, which was washed away several years ago, stood.

It came in on the high tide, and owing to the swiftness with which the water goes out at this point became caught in the rocks and was unable to extricate itself.

Big Halibut Trip.

The American Halibut Co.'s Pacific halibut steamer Sepors arrived at Tacoma a few days ago with a monster fare of 250,000 pounds of fresh halibut. The steamer was gone but a week and the fish were taken in two days fishing. It is one of the largest halibut trips on record. This steamer has landed 750,000 pounds of fresh halibut in two months.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Steamer Bryda F., via Boston.
Steamer Water Witch, shore.
Sch. Effie M. Prior, south, mackerel sailing.
Sch. Nettie Franklin, via Boston, 33,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Louisa Polleys, Rips, 35,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Thalia, Rips, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.
Sch. Cecil H. Low, Georges, 25,000 lbs. salt cod, 1000 lbs. halibut.
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, via Boston.
Steamer Massagott, Eastport, Me., 300 lbs. smoked herring.

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Splitting prices of fresh fish: Large Eastern cod, \$1.75; medium do., \$1.25; large Western cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium do., \$1.50; haddock, 85 cts.; cusk, \$1.25; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 65 cts.

Bank halibut, 8 cts. per lb. for white and 4 cents for gray.

Salt handline Georges codfish, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.50 for medium.

Salt trawl Georges codfish, \$4.50 for large, \$3.50 for medium.

Salt hake, \$1.00.

Salt haddock, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, \$2.00.

Large salt "drift" Georges codfish, \$1.25; medium do., \$3.25; snappers, \$1.75.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$3.50 for large, \$2.50 for medium, snappers \$1.50.

Boston.

Sch. Genesta, 7000 haddock, 4500 cod.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 15,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 3000 hake, 80,000 cusk.

Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 9000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Georgianna, 7000 haddock, 7000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Teresa and Alice, 8000 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Emella Enos, 5000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 hake.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$5; large cod, \$2.50.

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Mackerel Notes.

The following netters arrived at Fulton Dock, New York, this morning:
Sloop Louise, 800 large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Caroline Augusta, 450 large fresh mackerel.
Sch. A. C. Newhall, 1200 large fresh mackerel.
Sloop Defender, 600 large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Motor, 1000 large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Jennie Mand, 500 large fresh mackerel.
Sch. S. H. Pinkham, 600 large fresh mackerel.
Sch. Carrie E., 480 large fresh mackerel.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. William Matheson sailed from Bucksport, Me., yesterday for the Magdalenes for bait.

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PREMIER BOND'S SPEECH.

In Moving Second Reading of Foreign Fisheries Bill.

The St. John's N. F., Herald in speaking of the enactment of the recent new Foreign Fisheries Bill says that the Premier in moving the second reading of the bill said, that these new sections were added in order to cope with conditions arising out of the enforcement of last year's act; the Americans trying to evade it by refusing to enter or clear at the customs to pay light dues or obey the local ordinances; or to observe the enactments against smuggling, while they induced the Newfoundland people to go outside the three-mile limit and engage on board their vessels in defiance of the statute law.

The colony claimed sovereign powers within territorial waters and as its protests against American lawlessness in these particulars had not been acted upon by the United States authorities, the officials round the coast had been instructed to fully enforce the laws in future.

Mr. Morine opposed the passage of such a drastic measure, which he termed "a declaration of war against a country at peace with the empire," and predicted that the imperial government would never assent to it, while he also complained of its being left so late in the session and the correspondence regarding it being denied to the house.

The minister of justice observed that Mr. Morine was taking an exaggerated and alarmist view of the matter and the Bill only limited the Americans to their rights and prevented their evading local laws.

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Speaking of Canned Dogfish.

The Clark's Harbor, N. S., Coast Guard in speaking of canned dogfish says:

"We received from the Ocean White Fish Co., two sample cans of their choicest pack. White Fish is the euphemistic name for plain dogfish. A new name will not change the odor of the roe, so Shakespeare tells us. It may do it for a dogfish, but we doubt."

We can assure Brother Nickerson that canned dogfish is mighty good. We have eaten a can ourselves.

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Pollock Fleet.

The pollock fleet have been doing but little on this side of the Bay the past few days and today the most of them will go and fish over off Provincetown, where there is good fishing reported. Steamer A. B. Nickerson is in from over there this morning with 50,000 pounds.

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CANADA'S SIDE.

Sidney Papers Tell of the Seizure of Bankers.

Cruiser Captains Have Made Their Reports to Ottawa.

The Sydney, C. B., Post of Thursday has the following account of the seizure of schs. Parthia and Raymah off Cape North the day previous:

"The first seizures to take place this season for encroaching on the three-mile limit, occurred about 6 o'clock last evening. Both seizures were made at Bay St. Lawrence and within a gun-shot of each other, and in one case at least, there seems no doubt of the guilt of the offender. In fact it can be safely said they were both caught redhanded.

"About 5.45 last evening Captain Knowlton of the cruiser Canada suddenly ran alongside of the clipper two-top sail schooner Raymah of Boston, Captain Felix Hogan. The Raymah was well within the forbidden territory, and the dories had all sail up busily engaged in hauling in the fish. It was a clean catch for the Canada, and certainly a disastrous blow to the Boston syndicate that only recently had the Raymah built especially for the fishing industry.

"Capt. Hogan feels his position keenly, and the thoughts of a similar fate being meted out to the Raymah as befel the ill-fated Samoset last year seems to make his lot a rather unhappy one just at the present.

"About 20 minutes after the Canada placed her grapplings on the Raymah, Capt. Gordon of the Gladiator suddenly appeared on the scene and told Captain Seeley, of the Gloucester schooner Parthia, that his craft was a prisoner. It was a clever ruse on the part of the vigilant Captain Gordon, and the American skipper was certainly a much crest-fallen individual. The Parthia was well within the limit and although not actually fishing, his men were busy at work baiting and preparing for a good night's work.

"Capt. Seeley left Gloucester on April 1, and had not returned from receiving bait supply at the Magdalene Islands when he was lured within the three mile limit by the tempting greed of a good catch. When your correspondent saw Captain Seeley after the seizure the latter said he ran too close owing to a heavy fog, and when the mist cleared he endeavored to get outside the forbidden territory, but was unable to do so on account of calm weather. At any rate both crafts are now tied up below Point Edward awaiting the decision of the courts.

"United States Consul West is in town today in connection with the matter."

The Sydney Record says that the seizures have been reported to Ottawa and the captains of the cruisers are now awaiting instructions regarding the disposition of the vessels.

A Washington despatch regarding the seizure of the vessels says:

"The seizure by Canadian cruisers of the fishing schooners Raymah of Boston and Parthia of Gloucester adds another to the many vexatious cases of this kind regarding which the state department is now preparing to negotiate directly with the British government through Ambassador Durand upon his return to this country from England.

"From the press reports these new cases appear to differ essentially from those of the Gloucester boats seized a month ago off the Newfoundland coast and brought into St. John's. While it is a debatable question whether the Newfoundland authorities were within their rights in arresting the Gloucester fishermen, who were there under the terms of the treaty of 1818, no such claim is made by the state department here as to the waters of New Brunswick or Nova Scotia, and no

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American fisherman has the right to trawl therein without the consent of the authorities.

"It is conjectured that this case, however, may involve a construction of the old and long-disputed "headland" claim, and that the American fishing boats, while within an imaginary line drawn from headland to headland on the Nova Scotia coast near Cape North, were actually more than a marine league distant from the nearest shore, and so were within their rights."

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Sch. Albert Geiger, shore, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Shepherd King, Maine Coast, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, via Boston, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Carrie C., Georges, 20,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Volant, Georges, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish,

15,000 lbs. salt fish, 5000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, Maine Coast, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Lydia F., shore.

Steamer Water Witch, shore, 9000 lbs. pollock.

Steamer Bryda F., shore.

Steamer Quartette, shore.

Steamer A. B. Nickerson, Boston Bay, 50,000 lbs. pollock.

Sch. Victor, south, seining, 4 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Lucania, south, seining.

Sch. Gladstone, Provincetown, to fit for salt banking.

Sch. Addie M. Story, Cape Cod.

Sch. Genesta, via Boston.

Sch. M. H. Perkins, Rips, 15,000 lbs. salt cod.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Lawrence Murdock, Georges.

Sch. Nettie Franklin, Georges, halibuting.

Sch. Aleina, Rips.

Sch. Eglantine, Georges, halibuting.

Sch. Ellen C. Burke, Boston.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, shore.

Steamer A. B. Nickerson, pollocking.

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Sch. Sachem, 1000 cod.

Sch. Esther Gray, 3000 haddock, 4000 cod.

Sch. Rapidan, 3500 cod.

Sch. Stranger, 1000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchins, 5000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake, 2000 cusk.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 4000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Rose Cabral, 3000 haddock, 800 cod.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 4000 cod.

Sch. Teemseh, 4000 cod, 6000 halibut.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$2.75; large cod, \$2.12 to \$2.25; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, \$1 to \$2; cusk, \$1.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Monitor of Provincetown is at this port to fit for salt banking.